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STATE OF NEW YORK)

) ss.:

COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

Civil Action No. 07 CV 3179 (NRB)

LAUREN GRASSOTTI, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

I am not a party to this action, I am over 18 years of age and reside in Brooklyn, New York.

On January 4, 2008, I served the within NOTICE OF MOTION FOR ORDER GRANTING

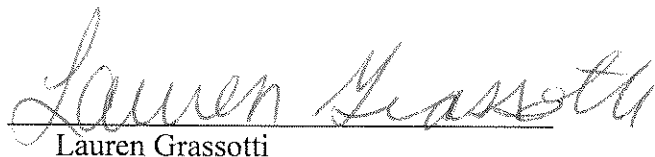
LEAVE TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL by depositing a true copy thereof via Federal

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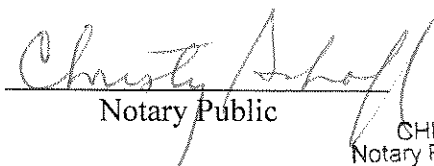
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Lauren Grassotti

Sworn to before me this
4th day of January, 2008


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